

UNAPPROVED MINUTES  
PUBLIC ARTS COMMITTEE  
CITY OF MILPITAS

**Minutes:** Meeting of the Public Art Committee (PAC)  
**Date of Meeting:** Monday, January 26, 2009  
**Place of Meeting:** Milpitas Community Center, Conference Rooms 7/8, 457 E. Calaveras Blvd.

**I. Call to Order** Chairperson Foulk called the Meeting to Order at 7:31 p.m.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance** Chairperson Foulk led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. Roll Call** Committee Members Present: Cherry, Ettinger, Foulk, McGuire, Navarro, Strauss, Voellger, and Alternate Santos.

Committee Members Excused Absence: Rabe  
Committee Members Absent: Hays, Tsuei

City Staff Present: Community Enrichment Coordinator, Renee Lorentzen,  
Recording Secretary, Tirzah Cedillo.

City Council Liaison Present: Council Member Giordano.

**IV. Seating of Alternates** Alternate Santos was seated in place of Committee Member Rabe.

**V. Approval of Agenda** **MOTION** to approve the agenda dated January 26, 2009.  
M/S: Voellger/McGuire Ayes: All

**VI. Approval of Minutes** **MOTION** to approve the minutes of November 24, 2008.  
M/S: Strauss/Ettinger Ayes: Ettinger, Foulk,  
McGuire, Navarro,  
Santos, Strauss, Voellger.  
Abstain: Cherry

**VII. Public Forum** None.

**VIII. Announcements/Correspondence**

Community Enrichment Coordinator, Renee Lorentzen stated she attended a meeting called, 'City Commissioners on Open Government Ordinance' hosted by the City Clerk. The following Committee Members are required to watch the 'Open Government Ordinance' DVD: Cherry, Navarro.

Committee Member Ettinger stated she attended the grand opening of the new Milpitas Library on January 10<sup>th</sup>. She stated the Library is beautiful and the bronze statue that Committee Member Hays loaned the City/County for the children's section is wonderful.

**IX. Old Business**

**1. Public Art Master Plan/Committee Manual Approval - Staff**

Community Enrichment Coordinator, Renee Lorentzen stated at the October 27, 2008 Committee meeting the current Public Art Master Plan and Public Art Committee Manual were both reviewed for projects and updated on procedure for 2009. Staff submitted the list of projects to the Engineering Department for their input and was able to identify possible locations for future public art projects.

Community Enrichment Coordinator, Renee Lorentzen stated she has updated the Public Art Master Plan; 'Project Administration' section explaining that the

Project named Milpitas Street Art was purposely left as TBD to not restrict the Committee on future street projects. Committee Member Voellger stated he wanted to make sure that it's written that the Public Art Committee would only accept original works.

**MOTION** to present as written to City Council the Public Art Master Plan.

M/S: Voellger/Strauss

Ayes: All

**2. Ongoing Project Updates on New Senior Center Art Installation and Pinewood Art in Your Park "Green Tree" Installation**

Community Enrichment Coordinator, Renee Lorentzen stated the Public Art Committee currently has (2) Art Installation Projects that are ongoing with Staff oversight and/or subcommittee involvement. Staff would be giving regular updates to the Committee on Project status for official action and recommendation.

Community Enrichment Coordinator, Renee Lorentzen gave updates on both projects:

1.) New Senior Center Art Installation

The Senior Advisory Commission met and picked their (3) stakeholders that will meet with our subcommittee members, engineers, and possibly the architects. She will send out a meeting request by the end of the week. Also, Mr. Denny Weisgerber has ideas and pictures of the kind of art that the seniors would like installed. Then RFQ's (Request for Qualifications) or RFP's (Request for Proposals) will be sent out for bids for qualified artists.

2.) Pinewood Art in Your Park "Green Tree" Installation

Currently drafting contracts for the "Green Tree" art piece with the foundation requirements. A meeting has been scheduled for February 2, 2009 at 10:30am to meet with the artist, engineer, and the parks maintenance supervisor. The project would take approximately (8) months for installation, from start to finish.

**Note. Receipt. File.**

**X. New Business**

**1. Election of Officers - Staff**

Community Enrichment Coordinator, Renee Lorentzen stated the Public Art Committee Bylaws read, "(a) Chairperson and Vice Chairperson will be annually selected at the first meeting of the calendar year from the appointed member for a term of one year." The Committee should note that Bylaws also stated, "No Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson shall serve more than two consecutive one year terms."

Chairperson Foulk asked the Committee for nominations for the one-year appointment for Chairperson of the Public Art Committee.

**MOTION** to seat Committee Member Navarro as Chairperson of the Public Art Committee.

M/S: Strauss/Cherry

Ayes: All

Chairperson Navarro asked the Committee for nominations for the one-year appointment for Vice Chairperson of the Public Art Committee.

**MOTION** to seat Committee Member McGuire as Vice Chairperson of the Public Art Committee.

M/S: Navarro/Voellger

Ayes: All

**2. Cartwheel Kids Relocation/City Hall Installation - Staff**

Community Enrichment Coordinator, Renee Lorentzen stated in 2008 the Public Art Committee voted to recommend the relocation of the “Cartwheel Kids” art piece from the front of City Hall to the new Milpitas Library. Staff has determined that before this recommendation is taken to City Council the Committee must identify/achieve the following:

- Proposed location of the “Cartwheel Kids” at the Milpitas Library.
- Projected cost to move and install the “Cartwheel Kids” at the Milpitas Library.
- Identify the stakeholders in the City Hall Art Installation.
- Create a PAC Subcommittee to meet with stakeholders and identify the public’s interest, concept of design for City Hall Art Installation.

Community Enrichment Coordinator, Renee Lorentzen stated the City Engineer quoted the cost to move, maintain, the foundation for the “Cartwheel Kids” art piece would be \$20,000. The City Engineer, the artist, Carla Moss, and herself will meet to discuss the move.

Committee Member Voellger stated the Committee should do extensive public outreach for the art piece in front of City Hall. Vice Chairperson McGuire agreed. She added that the Committee should create a questionnaire asking, ‘What kind of art would you like to see?’ Have this questionnaire printed in newspapers, posted in City Hall. Chairperson Navarro suggested having this questionnaire on-line, Milpitas TV channel, city events, mail-in.

Both Committee Members Foulk and Strauss are the subcommittee members for this project.

Committee Member Voellger recommends for the artist, Carla Moss to take a picture of the ‘Cartwheel Kids’ art piece and superimpose in front of the Library as originally recommended in front of the kids area in the grassy area. Community Enrichment Coordinator, Renee Lorentzen will work with Carla Moss.

**MOTION to form the City Hall Art Installation Subcommittee of Committee Members Foulk, Strauss and approach the following Commissions: YAC, SAC, PRCRC, CAC, City Council.**

M/S: Voellger/Cherry

Ayes: All

**3. South Main Street Plan - Staff**

Community Enrichment Coordinator, Renee Lorentzen stated on January 23, 2009 she met with City Engineers regarding projects in the City where Public Art would be considered or has already been included in architectural plans. The City Engineering Department is working on the South Main Street Plan Line where transit shelters will be City owned, operated and maintained. Staff discussed the possibility of this structure being designed by and installed under the Public Art Program. This project would begin in Spring 2009.

Community Enrichment Coordinator, Renee Lorentzen stated the first of six transit shelters is closest to Montague Expwy/Main Street for public art. She stated she would get the exact location.

**Note. Receipt. File.**

**XI. Future Agenda Items**

▪ **BART Art – February 2009**

Community Enrichment Coordinator, Renee Lorentzen stated she wanted the BART representatives to come to a Public Art Committee meeting to discuss BART art.

**XII. Adjournment**

There being no further business, Committee Members Voellger, Strauss adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m. to the next scheduled meeting of February 23, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tirzah Cedillo  
Recording Secretary